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This is a reply to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2004 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5.

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity) Applicant(s): Odgaard et al.							Docket No. IRD-0014		
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Invention: Membrane Electrode Assemblies for Direct Methanol Fuel Cells and Methods for Their Production									
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement									
previously submitted. A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.									
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INDEP. CLAIMS	1	-	3 =	:	0	x	\$43.	00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)									\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT									\$0.00
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- Amendment Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- 2) Amendment in Response to the Office Action dated February 27, 2004;
- One (1) sheet of formal replacement drawings containing Figures 1 through 2;
- 4) Return Postcard.

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